USACE FINANCE CENTER BIWEEKLY REPORT PERIOD ENDING 14 MAY 1999

CEFMS:

CEFMS ISSUES:

- a. We deployed the new Key Translation Center (KTC) software on Wednesday 5 April. This version of the software was ORACLE based and implemented several of the electronic signature requirements laid on by the General Accounting Office. One of these requirements (changes) was to verify two additional signatures during the check signing process. The "load" was too much for the existing KTC machines and we were forced to revert to the prior version on Friday 7 May. We have reviewed the design of the software and developed new procedures to perform the same function with minimal increase to the load on the KTC's. We project that the revised version of the software will be ready for implementation within a month.
- b. We have completed testing the web-based version of the Automated Personal Property Management System (APPMS). Testing of the interface between CEFMS and this version of APPMS completes our commitment to the Logistics folks in regards to this area.

PROBLEM REPORTS/IMBALANCES:

- a. The open problem report inventory is 1,114 versus 1,143 on the last report. The inventory includes 167 Priority #1 problem reports. The open inventory also includes 39 problem reports related to the CEFMS Modernization/GUI work management effort.
- b. Twenty-four (24) of the sixty-three databases have no imbalances, ten (10) have one, seven (7) have two, two (2) have three, another thirteen (13) sites have nine or less. Seven (7) sites have more than ten.

ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS:

CONSOLIDATION OF OPERATING FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING FUNCTIONS:

UPCOMING CONSOLIDATIONS:

a. The next and the last site(s) HECSA (servicing the NCR sites) in the current schedule will be consolidated on 1 August

1999.

NUMBER AND LOCATION OF ON BOARD PERSONNEL:

LOCATION:		NUMBER:
Huntsville		25
Millington		274
Washington		2
Other		1
DA Interns	(Millington)	5
Total		307

DISBURSING WORKLOAD DATA:

PAYMENTS BY CHECK:	As of 04/30/99	Current Month	Year to Date
Checks Issued Dollar Amount	158,559 \$2,534,202,137	16,488 \$202,826,915	175,047 \$2,737,029,052
BY EFT: Transfers Made Dollar Amount	48,626 \$1,475,806,192	6,642 \$133,057,817	55,268 \$1,608,864,009

OTHER UFC ISSUES:

- a. The first session of the CEFAST (Financial Management) course, updated to recognize the CEFMS environment, will be held next week (17-21 May) in Huntsville. Instructors from the field, the UFC, and Headquarters will present the course to approximately 35 attendees. Major aspects of accounting and financial management will be taught with emphasis on managerial accounting subjects. This course has been in hiatus since 1996 while we deployed CEFMS.
- b. On 12 May 99, we attended the Memphis Area Federal Executive Agency Annual Awards Banquet. The UFC submitted nominations in 9 of the 16 categories. The overall competition was impressive. We had 3 winning nominations that were declared the BEST OF THE BEST in the Memphis Area:

Secretary of the Year (Ruby Middlebrooks, CEFC-L-S)
Wage Grade of the Year (Wash Childres, CEFC-L-S)
EEO Accomplishment of the Year (Frankie Whitmore, CEFC-AO).

c. The 6th in a series of 7 CFO Analysis and Correction Workshops will begin on Monday, 17 May 1999. Attendees at this workshop will be from Huntsville Center, Rock Island, St. Paul, New York, and Ft. Worth Districts, and the Southwestern division. The 7^{th} and final workshop will kick-off on Monday, 24 May.

d. We have initiated the action to recruit the Principal Deputy Director for the USACE Finance Center. The position is classified as an accountant, GS-0510-14. We project the process will not be complete, the person selected for this position will not physically come on-board until we have completed the relocation to Building 787 on the Naval support Activity.